IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Brodin et al.

Appl. No. 08/875,888

102(e) Date: August 6, 1997

For: New Pharmaceutical Composition

with Anaesthetic Effect

Art Unit: 1614

Examiner: Rebecca Cook

Atty. Docket: ABA300/13003-CPA

Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.115

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 1999, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-captioned application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 18.

Please rewrite claim 17 as follows:

(three times amended). A method [for the treatment of] of treating a patient for pain associated with periodontal scaling, comprising [administering] applying to the periodontal pocket of said patient an effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 [to a patient in need of pain relief during periodontal scaling].

Please add new claims 19-22 as follows:

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